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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising

(a) a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid sequence that encodes an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: ~~137 through 240~~ 198;

(b) a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: ~~1 through 136~~ 84;

(c) a nucleic acid molecule that selectively exhibits substantial sequence similarity to at least 300 nucleotides of the nucleic acid molecule of (a) or (b) and hybridizes under stringent hybridization conditions of 50% formamide/6X SSC at 42°C for at least 10 hours or 6X SSC at 68°C without formamide for at least 10 hours to the nucleic acid molecule of (a) or (b);
or

(d) a nucleic acid molecule having at least ~~60~~85% sequence identity over the entire length of to the nucleic acid molecule of (a) or (b).

wherein said nucleic acid molecule of (a), (b), (c) or (d) is

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detectable in prostate cancer tissue.

Claim 2 (original): The nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid molecule is a cDNA.

Claim 3 (original): The nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid molecule is genomic DNA.

Claim 4 (original): The nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid molecule is a mammalian nucleic acid molecule.

Claim 5 (original): The nucleic acid molecule according to claim 4, wherein the nucleic acid molecule is a human nucleic acid molecule.

Claim 6 (canceled)

Claim 7 (original): A vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.

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Claim 8 (original): A host cell comprising the vector according to claim 7.

Claims 9-14 (canceled)

Claim 15 (currently amended): A kit for detecting a risk of cancer or presence of cancer in a patient, said kit comprising a means for determining the presence of the nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 ~~or a polypeptide of claim 11~~ in a sample of a patient.

Claims 16-17 (canceled)

Claim 18: (new) The nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 comprising a nucleic acid sequence that encodes an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 198.